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REMARKS

In the Office Action the Examiner objected to the drawings, objected to the specification, and objected to claims 9, 11-13, 45-49, 55-58, 61-64, 67-71, 81-85, 88, 90-97, 100-106, Also in the Office Action the Examiner indicated that claims 1-7, 14. 30-36, 42-44, 50-52, 54, 65, 66, 72-80, 86, 87, 89, 98, and 99 are allowed. In addition, the Examiner indicated that claims 9, 11-13, 45-49, 61-64, 67-71, 81-85, 94-97, and 100-106 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections set forth in the Office Action. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for this indication of allowable subject matter.

By this Amendment, Applicants have cancelled claims 81, 82, 94, and 95 without prejudice and have amended claims 12, 45-51, 53, 63, 67-71, 83, 84, 88, 96, and 100-106 in order to more clearly define the present invention. Claims 8, 10, 15-29, 37-41, 59, and 60 were previously canceled. Accordingly, claims 1-7, 9, 11-14, 30-36, 42-58, 61-80, 83-93, and 96-106 remain pending.

With respect to the objection to the drawings, the Examiner indicated that the features of "an imager, and automatic exterior light control module, a moisture sensor module, a compass sensor, a compass, a speaker, a microphone, a windshield wiper automatic control, a digital signal processor, an automatic defogger control, a collision avoidance control, a lane departure warning module, an electrode-optic mirror element control module, and a processor" as claimed in claims 45-47, 67-69, and 100-102 must be shown in the drawings are the feature is canceled from the claims. Applicants respectfully submit that these features are fully supported by the pending application. However, in order to expedite the prosecution of this application, Applicants have amended claims 45-47, 67-69, and 100-102 to remove the above noted features. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the objection to the drawings has been rendered moot.

With respect to the objection to the specification, Applicants have amended paragraphs [0003] and [0034]. Although Applicants do not believe there is any basis for Applicant : Darin D. Tuttle et al. Appln. No. : 10/796,649 Page : 20

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the Examiner to object to the language in paragraphs [0003], Applicants have nevertheless amended this paragraph to remove this issue.

With respect to the objection to the claims. Applicants have amended the claims to address all the objections with the exception of the objection to claims 56-58 and 91-93. In particular, with respect to claims 56-58 and 91-93, the Examiner contends that the expression "a minimum of approximately...horizontally" is claimed while there is no horizontal beam pattern defined in claims 52 and 87. It is not clearly understood what is the basis for this objection. This is not an issue of a lack of antecedent basis insofar as claims 56-58 and 91-93 do not refer to "horizontal beam pattern." Despite the fact that claims 52 and 87 do not refer to the horizontal extent of the beam pattern, this does not mean that it is impossible for the beam to have a minimum light output that falls within five degrees, ten degrees, or fifteen degrees horizontally. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 56-58 and 91-93 are proper and that the objection to these claims should be withdrawn. Applicants submit that all of the other amendments address the concerns raised by the Examiner. If there are any issues remaining following this response, Applicants ask the Examiner to call the undersigned at the number listed helow

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks. Applicants submit that the present invention, as defined by the pending claims, is allowable. The Examiner's reconsideration and timely allowance of the claims is requested. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully solicited.

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